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MOSCOW'S COVERAGE OF THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS REMAINS LIMITED. A SOVIET DOMESTIC BROADCAST ON JANUARY 31 REVIEWED THE SPEECH BRIEFLY, TREATING CRITICALLY THE DOMESTIC AND MILITARY SPENDING PASSAGES, BUT ALSO SINGLING OUT REFERENCES TO IMPROVED SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS. PRAVDA AND IZVESTIA ARTICLES ON FEBRUARY 1 CONCENTRATED ON THE SAME THEMES, FOCUSING ON THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITMENT TO CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT IN BILATERAL RELATIONS INCLUDING MFN, WHILE CITING THE DOMESTIC PORTIONS OF THE MESSAGE AS CONFIRMATION THAT THE US HAS SERIOUS PROBLEMS.

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